

Product guide: Styleclad

About:

Styleclad is man-made by firing clay, sand and water at temperatures above 1200°C to produce a product with exceptional hardness and practically no absorption. Styleclad is also highly resistant to frost and the impact of acids, chemicals, salts, oils and fertilizers.

Styleclad is ideally suited for exterior and interior cladding, planters and water features

Appearance:

Styleclad tends to maintain its characteristics well, both technically and aesthetically over time. It is more resistant to extreme weather damage, fading, mould and moss than natural stone.

Styleclad has a fully rectified edge (machined edge) with dimensional tolerances of $\pm 0.5\%$ and is available in a practical 1500 x 750 x 6mm size and 1200 x 600 x 9mm.

Sealing:

Styleclad is a durable product. No sealing is required.

Installation:

Wear appropriate PPE, especially gloves, as Styleclad edges may be sharp.

Removing Styleclad from packaging is a two man lift. Attention should be made to keeping Styleclad straight and avoiding flexing as this can damage the product.

There may be colour variations between batches of Styleclad. If laying from more than one pallet, mix to ensure a consistent look.

For standard wall installation a flexible tile adhesive is advised.

Make sure the surface to be covered is flat, straight and clean from any dust or grease.

Use adhesives mixed according to the specifications indicated in the technical data sheet of the chosen adhesive.

Spread the adhesive on the surface to be covered with a 10 to 15mm toothed trowel making sure not to leave any gaps.

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Apply a slurry mix primer to the underside of each Styleclad using a stiff brush. We recommend our Ultra Scape Pro-Prime Slurry Primer in 20kg bags ready for mixing; each bag will cover approximately 15m².

To aid wall installation, Styleclad can be placed onto a timber baton ensuring correct positioning before lightly tapping with a rubber mallet from the middle to the edges to remove any air pockets.

Consideration should also be given to external and internal returns on retaining walls and planters allowing 12mm for tile and adhesive thickness.

If you need to make cuts, use a Precision Diamond Blade for porcelain. We stock blades for table saws and hand-held saws including tile drill cutters for making holes for light installation etc.

3mm or larger spacers can be used between individual pieces of Styleclad and joints finished off with a flexible tile grout.

To achieve the best results be careful to work 'clean'. Take care not to leave any primer on the face of Styleclad as it is difficult to remove later. Wipe Styleclad with a clean damp cloth as you work. The same applies when grouting. A good wash and clean down of the area after laying will keep Styleclad looking its best.

Maintenance:

As Styleclad has extremely low porosity (maximum 0.5%) it will not absorb dirt and grime from the atmosphere for general day to day use. You should only need to use a mild detergent and a rough cloth or microfibre to clean Styleclad. If a problematic substance such as sticky tree gum falls on the surface, a specialist cleaner may be necessary.

We offer a range of specialist cleaners you can use yourself if you need to. Always read the label and seek professional guidance.

If you have any further questions about installing or caring for Kebut Styleclad please contact one of our sales advisors who will be very happy to help you.